



# Los Alamos National Laboratory staff recognized for outstanding response to pandemic and more

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LOS ALAMOS, N.M., Feb. 17, 2021—Los Alamos National Laboratory employees were recently recognized with Honor and Achievement Awards from the Department of Energy Secretary; 248 Laboratory employees on eight teams won the awards, which are the highest honor a DOE employee or contractor can receive.

“Congratulations to the recipients, many of whom innovated and persevered through a tough time in our global history,” said Thom Mason, Laboratory Director. “These awards reinforce the fact that our national laboratories’ most important asset is a skilled, dedicated workforce.”

Laboratory staff joined teams that were recognized for numerous efforts including:

- transitioning the Laboratory workforce to telework,
- providing COVID-19 testing with the capacity to process more than 1,000 tests per day in the DOE national laboratory complex,
- mobilizing the nation’s supercomputing capabilities to meet the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic,
- recruiting new employees
- safeguarding nuclear fuels,
- nuclear explosion monitoring,
- radiological source response and recovery,
- and efficiently providing supplies across the Nuclear Security Enterprise.

The DOE Secretary’s Honor Awards formally recognize the outstanding achievements of individuals and teams who have gone above and beyond in fulfilling the DOE’s mission. A total of 32 Honor Awards were granted across the DOE complex this year, and 24 teams received the Secretary of Energy Achievement Award. Read more about the awards [here](#).

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